



## FORMER SCOTTDALE WOMAN IS ATTACKED BY NEIGHBOR'S CAT

Her Condition is Said to be Serious as Result of Wounds.

## MILL TOWN ROBBERS BUSY

They Enter Mill Worker's Home and Get \$8 to Change; Chautauqua Continues Popular; Other News of Interest to Readers of Scottdale.

Special to The Courier.

SCOTTDALE, July 24.—Mrs. Ella Weaver, wife of H. Clay Weaver, a former resident of Scottdale, but who has been a resident of Sharon, where her husband has worked in the mills for the past couple of years, is suffering from an attack by a cat, her neighbor having told her that the animal which was in some grass low at the woman, biting and scratching her severely about the ankles before it was driven away. Mrs. Weaver said the cat at her house was seen to徘徊 for examination, it being feared that the animal was suffering from rabies. This is the second time that Mrs. Weaver has been bitten by a cat. About a week ago, Mrs. Anna Scottdale, a cat attacked and scratched her about the face. Mrs. Weaver, before her marriage, was Miss Ella Shank, and has many friends in the neighborhood.

CUT SOME MONEY.

A robber or robbers entered the home of Walter Stoner and wife, resident in the neighborhood, probably about 12 M., Mr. Stoner, "from a child's book." Entrance was made through a window, the catch having been shaved back. Search was made through the next door for money, but nothing else than money was taken. The silverware had been disturbed and scattered about, were pieces of chocolate from the way this morning. Through about the robber seemed to be in a bad humor. No one in the house heard any disturbance during the night.

THE FOURTH DAY.

The Adelphi Opera Company in the fourth day of the Chautauqua, Friday, moved to a series of exceptional ability, and in spite of the heavy rain in the afternoon made a success.

Miss James P. Stevenson, former minister to Belgium, was the afternoon lecturer, and a good sized audience filled his lecture on "Interior Hope." He was described as an uncharming, a disappointing and humorless figure in setting, manner, differences. If the crowded house, armed with rifles, could be believed, he is a front rank speaker, but behind the scenes the crowd would be inclined to say he was not.

His distance from other nations, his disregard would prevent America ever from failing if she did fall into war.

He gave a splendid description of the vast possibilities of trade between the United States and the South American countries, and suggested that America should be taught in the public schools the importance of the control of the two hemispheres. Like the preceding lecture he was a strong advocate for women's suffrage, saying that when women get the vote they will be advocates of peace.

On Sunday afternoon Rev. G. B. Wilder will preach and in the evening Hon. Charles F. Smith, who is the author of the book "The Shape of Food to the Starting Bell," will lecture on "The Kingdom of Belief." The cheap seats will be free on Sunday, but a few will offering will be taken.

NOTES.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas M. Gillham and son, Orson, return Friday for a week. They will visit relatives in Verna and her husband, Dr. Ray Swanson, for several days.

Miss Bertha Becker of Youngwood, on her way home from several weeks stay at Berkley Springs, stopped off here to visit her sister, Mrs. G. B. Kuhn.

Miss Margarette Hornington of Brownsville, visiting Miss Edith and Alice Rhodes, will remain until Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Coffey and family arrived home Thursday from a visit with Mr. Coffey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Chinnell of Farmington.

Mr. R. B. Kuhn and son Arthur were visiting in Youngwood with the former's mother, Mrs. F. J. Becker.

Mr. Charles Anderson and daughter returned to their home in Cal Liverpool, on Saturday, after a few weeks' visit with Mrs. Becker and family.

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With the exception of a few modest prices, the world over, "Buy Right," sold throughout the world.



## QUANT HIGH-WAISTED EVENING GOWNS.

It is of course entirely true to say that a gown looks as though it had stepped from an old picture, but in description that looks nothing more up-to-date as just that saying. The body of the gown is perfectly a broad band of the fabric, with pink piping, with pink satin on both sides and back. Crepe lace forms the upper part of the bodice, and cream lace forms the falls also below the high waist line in a full but an eight ruff. The skirt is wide at the bottom but only slightly ruffed about the waist, and is bordered above. Post-wide hem with pink satin.

## MEYERSDALE.

MEYERSDALE, July 24.—A very delightful birthday party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Cook on Wednesday evening in honor of Miss Susie Brownlee. The evening was spent in music and games and the little hour from four to seven o'clock was given to the young ladies' friends who were present.

Mrs. Eugene Cross entertained at a delicious dinner in honor of Mrs. Joseph Levy and Mrs. Harriet Stahl of Philadelphia. Guests were held for ten.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. McKinzie attended the funeral of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morris, parents of Mrs. Morris, Saturday evening, while the latter went on to Mount Sainte-Croix a few days later with her husband and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Shafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Perner and three children of Washington, D. C., were visiting with Mrs. Perner's mother, Mrs. Emma Youman, of the Steiner Street.

Mr. and Mrs. James L. Dixon have their guest Mr. Ross Struble of Pittsburgh.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thomas of Birmingham, Ala., are visiting with the former's sister, the Misses Clementine of the South Side.

Miss Nan Jenkins of Pittsburgh is a guest of the home of her brother, a boy and sister, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Brock.

Mr. Walter Stark and three sons of Blairsville are visiting their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. James Leckie.

Miss Josephine Elouette has returned from Louisville, Md., where she had been visiting for a week.

Alfred Grandjean of Glenmont was visiting business in Meyersdale.

Miss Charles Waters of Connellsville, who had been visiting here, returned to her home yesterday.

Miss Irene Collier is home after a month's visiting relatives and friends in Pittsburgh and Beaver.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Betts of Akron, Ohio, are visiting relatives and friends for a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cook left yesterday for Hanover, Ill., for a week's visit, after which they will visit in Cleveland, O.

Miss Margaret Lynch of Pittsburgh, is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Mary Lynch, and other relatives.

Had To Be Carried At Night. Could Not Let Clothes Near It. Applied Cuticura Ointment Then Washed With Cuticura Soap. Eczema Gone In Few Months.

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## 50c Floor Brooms 25c

As an illustration of the great values that will be offered during this sale, we will offer Monday, the First Day of the Sale, Two Hundred Floor Brooms, which are retailed the city over at 50c, for just one-half price, or 25c. On account of this very low price, we will sell only one to a customer. None delivered; none sold to children, and no orders taken for them by phone or letter. These Brooms are always sold at 50c. Our price

## Monday Morning, July 26th

### At 9 O'Clock

We Begin Our Last Great Sale of the Summer

## "CLEAN SWEEP SALE"

During which all Spring and Summer Goods will be closed out at some price. COST of goods has been lost sight of in the marking down of merchandise, which must go. We wish to rid our entire stock of everything pertaining to hot weather, to make room for Fall Goods which are now arriving. Our loss will be your gain. So be on hand early to take advantage of the wonderful offerings, placed on our counters during this sale. Sale will last until lots are all closed out.

## \$1.00 Shirt Waists 59c

10 Dozen Shirt Waists of Voile and crepe, handsomely trimmed with lace and embroidery. These are our regular one dollar values. Not all sizes of any one number but all sizes in the lot. Also a very pretty line of Waists made of mercerized colored stripes in handsome colorings; made high in the neck and with long sleeves. Are absolutely fast colors. These Waists are wonderful values at

59c

## 10 Dozen Turkish Towels

in an extra size and quality; are plain white with border; always 12½c. Sweep Sale

20 Pieces Linen Crash—half bleached and heavy quality, makes fine roller towels; regularly sells for 10c yard. Sweep Sale

8c

## 15 Pieces Russian Crash

in a fine quality. Everybody knows the wearing quality of this well known crash. Value 12½c. Sweep Sale

9c

## 5 Pieces Table Damask

in a full bleached quality. Very pretty patterns to choose from. Value 39c. Sweep Sale

23c

## 25 Dozen Turkish Towels

are exceptionally large and heavy; plain white with colored borders; fine values. Always 25c. Sweep Sale

20c

## 25 Velvet Rugs

25x34 inches; a handsome line of colorings and designs; fine wearing quality. Value \$1.25 and \$1.50. Sweep Sale

\$1.00

## Special Values in New Shirt Waists

New Silk Waists, bought at a big price concession from the makers. In white and colored stripes. Quite the newest styles; are made with the large collar; should sell for \$2.00. Sweep Sale

## Long and Short Kimonos for Summer Wear

Long Kimonos, made of dotted Swiss of fine quality. New style; trimmed down the front and around the neck with contrasting colored lawn; gathered in fine shirring in back and tied with swiss strings. Value \$1.50. Sweep Sale

Short Kimonos, made of fine quality dotted Swiss, and very airy and cool for summer wear. Kimono sleeves, bound with lawn in colors and down the front; shirred backs, and tied with satin ribbons; value 75c. Sweep Sale

49c

## 50 Dozen Corsage Cover Embroidery

in fine quality lawn, 18 inches wide. Value up to 25c. Sweep Sale

15c

## 5 Dozen Women's Black Hose

fast black, full regular made in fine gauze. Value 15c pair. Sweep Sale

9c

## 15 Dozen Children's Hose

black ribbed, double heels, knees and toes; noted for wearing qualities. Value 15c pair. Sweep Sale

9c

## 25 Dozen Boys' Hats

in white pique, black and white checks, and colored straw. Values up to 59c. Sweep Sale

39c

## 25 Yards of Ribbon

in muslin and fancy warps, all silk, 6 inches wide. Sells regularly at 25c. Sweep Sale

10c

## 25 Dozen Long and Short Dresses

for Infants, embroidered yokes, lace trimmings and embroidery "trimmed" skirts and yokes, 6 months to 6 yrs. Value 69c. Sweep Sale

49c

## 100 Uturrimmed Hat Shapes

in Milan and Hemp braids. Many blocks and in black and all colors. Values up to \$3.00. Sweep Sale

50c

## 50 Trimmed Hats

handsome Milan shapes, tastily trimmed with feathers, flowers and fruits. Same styles that we have sold all season at prices from \$3.00 to \$5.00. Sweep Sale

\$1.00

## 10 Pattern Hats

copies of Paris creations; very finest shapes, and beautiful trimmings. We sold many similar ones early in the season up to \$22.50. Sweep Sale

\$5.00

## 75 Untrimmmed Hat Shapes

in a large assortment of straws and satin hats, in black and all colors; values up to \$2.. Sweep Sale

25c

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# SOCIAL and PERSONAL

The L. N. L. Club of the United Presbyterian Sunday school held an enjoyable picnic last evening at the home of Mrs. Anna E. Wilson, Conemaugh. Various games were played on the lawn and a number competing in many good things to eat were served. About 20 persons attended. Guests in addition to members of the church were Mrs. W. H. Tracy, the teacher; Miss Emma Wilson and Mrs. James Dierck.

Mrs. Anna Bailey will entertain a number of her friends Friday evening at her home in Vanderbilt.

Mrs. Anna C. Tracy was honored with a surprise party Thursday evening at her home on Hyndman Street. About 35 of her friends attended and spent the evening at various amusements. Among the delicious refreshments were served out of town were Misses Mary and Irene Wilson, Ruth and Mabel and Mr. Norton of Dunbar. Miss Josephine Wannah of Claysburg, Clifford Hill of East End, Clive Sparks of Popular Grove; Miss Sarah Terrell of Dawson, and Miss Ethel Gehrke of Philadelphia.

Mrs. Ma. B. Meyer and James M. Kelly, both of this city, were married Friday, July 16, in Philadelphia. Following the ceremony they left for a wedding trip to Atlantic City and other eastern cities after which they returned to Connellsville to reside.

In the presence of about 40 of her friends Mrs. John Hart celebrated her 50th birthday last evening at her home on Shadwell street. The affair was well arranged and was a complete surprise to Mrs. Hart. The evening was pleasantly spent at various amusements and delicious refreshments were served.

Mrs. Clark S. Horner will entertain at her children's party Monday afternoon at her home in West Green street in honor of her son Jackie's eighth birthday and the sixth birthday of her son Rivington. The hours are from 2:30 to 5 o'clock.

Members of Anti-Saloon League, Mrs. Emily Schmitz, and wife, and wife, were the amusements of the evening. Mrs. Carrie Stillwagen, director of temple, Mrs. Agnes Smith, Mrs. Martha Jones, Mrs. Hazel Gregg, Mrs. Minnie Green, Mrs. Alice Cathleen, Mrs. Minnie Means, Mrs. Margaret Steely, Mrs. Katherine Gately, Mrs. Clara Brown and Mrs. Roberta Clayton.

Mrs. Harry J. Carpenter, Miss Genevieve Carlson, Miss Gertrude Reiter and Miss Marlene Davidson are among the chosen by Mrs. Horner to help in the service in the surprise party and tea. Thursday afternoon, July 23, at Linden Hall, St. James Park.

Missa Helen and Whilford Dornell entertained a number of their friends last evening at their home in Patterson avenue. Roasting, music and cards were the amusements of the evening. Mrs. Leopolda B. Parker, Mrs. Parker, a delightful young woman, a housekeeper, was present. The two maid-servants were Misses Florence B. Parker, Misses Peck, Montgomery, Smith, Hunter, Scanlon and Sophie of the Redpath-Dornell was Chantrelle, and Mr. McMillen of Scordale.

**PERSONAL.**  
Said on Saturday, C. Aubrey Smith, "The Builder of Bridges," the first of the Leonard and Ella Hall to die. Death here's two rods below, said in "The Courier of West Virginia," quoting Charles Clegg of "The John Johnson's Garage and Painted Ford" in "The Herald-Citizen" two weeks ago.

Mrs. Vella Decker, Miss Lena Herbert and Mrs. Azene Neiman, the latter of Dunbar, left this morning for a trip to Niagara Falls and Canada.

Mrs. Mary Becker of Aspinwall, had returned home after a visit with Miss Helen Gandy.

Mrs. Edith Gray of Uniontown, is now at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Gray on South Pittsburg street.

Mrs. Isabelle Smith of Greenwood, went to Pittsburgh this morning to spend the day.

The condition of Mr. W. D. Colborn, who has been ill at the Mt. Pitt Run, where the family is spending the summer, is improved.

Mrs. John P. Torrence of the West Side, has gone to Ohio to spend several weeks.

Mr. Wardell, a far part drama featuring Leslie Merridith and an all-star cast, and the ever interesting Travel Pictures are at the Colonial Theatre Saturday. Don't miss this feature—Adv.

Mrs. Barbara Henkle of Greenwood, and sisters, Mrs. Katherine and Adeline Henkle of Adeline, left for the beach at Cape May with relatives from Springettsbury, W. Va.

Misses Florence Goldsmith, Nelle Peacock, Helen Ward, and Eleanor Goldsmith went to Ohio to spend this summer for a week, stay at the Ferncliff Hotel.

Mr. Daniel McCormick and daughter, Eva, went to Pittsburgh this morning to visit Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Peck, the former when accompanied by Mr. Fred Connelly, they will have for company Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Peck.

People 1,000 feet due quarter westerly large patches of shriveled lawns in the hope of ghosts. Why not come to our vacation here? Special arrangements have been made for the comfort of your vacationing guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gray went to New York on vacation for a short time—Adv.

Miss Ethel Sherman, Miss Rae Randolph and George Sherrick, Misses

Prudine and Mildred Taylor of East Liverpool, O., arrived home last evening from Bear Run where they were in camp for a week. The Misses Taylor will remain as guests of Mrs. Sherrick for a week.

Mrs. T. M. Mitchell of Oilopley, was visiting friends in town today.

D. Lambert went to Somersett this morning to visit his brother, J. A. Lambert.

P. Smith of the West Side, has gone to New Brighton to visit friends.

Mrs. John Huston and daughter, Misses Anna, former residents of Connellsville, are guests of Dr. and Mrs. J. French Kerr of East Fairview avenue for two days.

C. W. Hays was in Ebensburg yesterday on business.

Mrs. Austin C. Wilson of Youngstown, O., accompanied by her grandmother, Mrs. Rachel Gance, returned home this morning after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Nonis, Mrs. Wilson came here to attend the Artichoke Inn capital.

M. J. Welsh of Uniontown, was a caller here today.

P. J. Boyle of Indiana Head, is a caller in Connellsville today.

Mrs. Cora Snock of Belvermont, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Garrison of the West Side.

About 55 kin of late Thomas Jarrett have a delightful outing.

Mrs. and Mrs. H. W. Lessig are attending the Mason's picnic at Homestead today.

Mrs. Mary Elmer of Somerset, who has been a guest at the home of Mrs. John McMurtry at Leisenring, went to Uniontown this morning to visit friends.

Mrs. M. J. Adams of Somerset, was the guest of Mrs. H. D. Hartman today.

Miss Leon Young of Rockwood, was in town today.

Attorney G. W. Plywood of Uniontown, was a Connellsville visitor last evening, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Snyder of East Fairview avenue.

**OVERLOADED SHIP CAPSIZES; 1,500 BELIEVED DEAD**

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would be closed tentatively and encouraged their members to pray for the dead.

Flags were lowered to half mast and mourning symbols were draped on many business establishments.

Gray laden clouds that overhung the city earlier in the day grew heavier as a steady drizzle turned to rain. With the clouds, the winds held their place despite the disconcerting darkness and searches for missing persons continued their weary rounds of the moment.

Identification of victims offered comparatively few difficulties, nearly all having been drawn up. Measures were taken by the police and the electric company to facilitate the work of identification and the services of full operation later in the day.

Federal Judge K. M. Landis ordered a special grand jury empaneled to make an investigation of the disaster. The jury will meet next Thursday.

Stateboard Inspector William Nichols is investigating a report that two bodies were recovered from the water of the Eastland as the passengers boarded, so that the boat would capsize and that more passengers might be carried.

One theory of the cause of the overturning of the vessel is that the steamer had struck in the mud and had failed to rise herself when the weight of the water caused her to turn over on the starboard side to list. The weight of the cargo caused ahead unanchored this to such an extent that the boat could not right itself, but caused the hawsers to break and the boat continue to list until it over-turned.

First Resting Ease.

A. E. Winger of Main street, West Side, hours of having the first mess of resting ease of the season from his garden on South Eighth street, West Side.

Say It Takes Price.

Automobile drivers that East Main street from Murphy avenue to the city limits is the roughest stretch of street in town.

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## CHAPTER V.

**Edward E. Allison Takes a Vacation**  
Edward E. Allison walked into the offices of the Municipal Transportation company at nine o'clock, and set his basket of opened and carefully annotated letters out of the mathematical center of his desk; then he touched a button, and a thin young man whose

the camp fire at the toboggan party. He jotted down a memorandum to send her some, and drew a high stool in front of the map.

Strange this now ambition which had come over him. Why, he had actually been about to consider his big work finished; and now, all at once, everything he had done seemed trivial. The eager desire of youth to achieve had come to him again, and the blood sang in his veins as he felt of his lusty strength. He was starting to build, with a youth's enthusiasm but with a man's experience, and with the momentum of success and the power of capital. Something had crystallized him in the past few days.

Across the fertile fields and the mighty mountains and the arid deserts of the United States, there angled four black threads, from coast to coast, and everywhere else were shorter main lines and shorter branches, and, last of all, mere fragments of railroads. He began with the long, angling threads, but he ended with the fragments, and these, in turn, he gave minute and careful study. At three o'clock he took a sandwich and ordered his car. He was gone less than an hour, and came back with an armload of books, government reports, volumes of statistics, and a file of more intimate information from the office of his broker. He threw off his coat when he came in this time, and spread on the big, bone-chilled table at which Napoleon had once planned a campaign, a varicolored mass of railroad maps. At seven-thirteen old Ephraim found him at the end of the table in the midst of some neat and intricate tabulations.

"Time to dress, sir," suggested Ephraim.

"Oh, it's you," remarked the absorbed Allison, glancing up.

"Yes, sir," returned Ephraim. "You told me to come for you at seven-fifteen."

"Yes, sir," and the concentrated young man departed with the basket, feeling that he had quite capably borne his weight of responsibility.

Gregory walked in, a fat man with no trace of nonsense about him.

"Out for the day, Ed?" he inquired, gauging that probability by the gift of the letters.

"A mouth or so," amended Allison, rising and surveying the other articles on his desk calculatingly. "I'm going to take a vacation."

"It's about time," agreed his efficient general manager. "I think it's been four years since you stopped to take a breath. Going to play a little?"

"That's the word," and Allison chuckled like a boy.

"I suppose we'll have your address," suggested Gregory.

"No."

Gregory pondered frowningly. He began to see a weight piling up on him and, though he was capable, he loved his flesh.

"About that Shell Beach extension?" he inquired. "There's likely to be trouble with the village of Wavey. Their local franchises—"

"Settle it yourself," directed Allison carelessly, and Gregory started. During the long and arduous course of Allison's climb, he had built his audience or personal attention to detail. "Good," and Allison walked out, lighting a cigar on his way to the door.

He stopped his runabout in front of a station and bought the largest globe they had in stock.

"Address, please?" asked the clerk, pencil poised over delivery slip.

"I'll take it with me," and Allison helped them secure the clumsy thing in the seat beside him. Then he steamed up the avenue to the small and severely furnished house where four ebony servants protected him from the world.

"Out of town except to this list," he directed his kinky-haired old butler, and going into the heavy oak library, he closed the door. On the wall, depending from the roller case, was a huge map, a broad familiar domain between two oceans, and he suited his eye full upon that tiny territory near the Atlantic, which, up to now, he had called a world, because he had mastered it.

His library phone rang.

"Mr. Allison?" a woman's voice. Gail Sargent, Mrs. Sargent, Mrs. Davies, or Luelle Tewdale. No other ladies were on his list. The voice was not that of Gail. "Are you busy tonight?" Oh, no, Luelle Tewdale.

"Free as air," he gayly told her.

"I'm so glad," rattled Luelle. "Teddy just telephoned that he has tickets for 'The Lady's Maid.' Can you join us?" "With pleasure," No hesitation whatever; prompt and agreeable, even pleased.

"That's jolly. I think six makes such a nice crowd. Besides you and yourselves, there'll be Arly and Dick Rodney and Gail." Gail, of course, he had known that. "We'll start from Uncle Jim's at eight o'clock."

Allison called out Ephraim.

"I want to begin dressing at seven-thirteen," he directed. "At three o'clock get some sandwiches inside the door. Have some fruit in my dressing room."

He went back to his map, remembering Luelle with a retrospective smile. The last time he had seen that vivacious young person she had been eating a box of almonds, at the side of

spoons with his maps, and his books, and his figures; then he went to his broker with a list of railroads.

"Get me what stock you can of these," he directed. "PICK IT UP AS QUITE AS POSSIBLE."

The broker looked them over and cleared his eyebrows. There was not a road in the list which was important strategically, but he had ceased to ask questions of Edward Allison.

Three days later Allison went into the annual stockholders' meeting of the L. and C. railroad, and registered majority of the stock in that insignificant line, which can run up the shore opposite Crescent Island, joined the Towards Valley shortly after its emergence from its hiled entrance into New York, ran for fifty miles over the roadway of the Towards, with which was a pass created by nature, while was the proud possession of the Inland Pacific, now the most prosperous and direct of all the Pacific systems, and the Inland, with an insolent pride in the natural fortune which had been found for it by the cleverest of all engineers, guarded its precious right of way as no jewel was ever protected.

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